

The LongPath

A North Alabama DX Club Publication

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From the President

By Mark Brown, N4BCD

What's a DX club member to do when the SI's are in the ditch for weeks at a time and few highly sought expeditions are underway? Simple answer – become the DX.

As this issue reaches you, Alabama hams are taking their turn in the wildly popular ARRL Centennial state activation of W1AW/4. Several club members are already on the operating schedule but there's room for many more to fill popular band slots. How much room? This week-long event involving 3 modes on all bands and (*derived from Rick K4TD's band by band forecast*) represents 1869 operating hours during "open" band conditions plus a roughly equal number of hours during "marginal" conditions. That's a huge undertaking. If you miss the first week there's the second operating period beginning October 15.

Another DX opportunity is the Alabama QSO party coming up Saturday, June 7. It's a 12 hour event where folks all over the country will be seeking YOU.

During the weekend of July 26, MD WA4DXP and David KJ40KJ will be activating K4A commemorating the 45th anniversary of Apollo 11 - man's first landing on the Moon. They'll probably welcome additional operators to fill some slots.

But wait, there's more! During the Huntsville Hamfest, Tom KG4CUY is organizing the activation of W100AW/4. Plans call for multiple towers to spring up in the (former) Holiday Inn parking lot and to operate as many bands / modes that available operators can sustain. Please keep this in mind during Hamfest and take a break from that 3rd tour of the flea market to rest your legs in front of the rig.

The North Alabama DX Club – where members don't just chase DX, for the next few months we are DX.

73,
Mark N4BCD

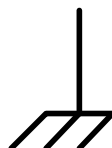
How to Join

- * Come to a club meeting;
- * or send in an application by mail (form on www.NADXC.org)
- * or call Tom Duncan at (256)705-2147

June Program: K4SAV on Grounding



Grounding is the June program topic. Hear Jerry Montgomery, K4SAV explain the ins and outs of these symbols and how to effectively use what's behind them. Protective grounding? RF Grounding? You'll need to come to the meeting this coming Tuesday at the Po Boy Factory to get the answer. Arrive around 6:00 for dinner, business meeting at 7:00, program around 7:30. See you there!



Congratulations, Tom

Presented with Permission of the Recipient

May 14, 2014
THOMAS RUSSELL
29836 COUNTRY LN
HARVEST, AL 35749

Congratulations Tom

Due to the costs and time involved in confirming your application I no longer use regular mail so this letter is the ONLY letter you will receive regarding the status of your application. You need to print out and save this letter for your records for any future correspondence about this application. It is being sent to your email address that either you provided me with, or what is listed on www.QRZ.com.

- 1) You have paid for the processing of 40 zones.
- 2) You have been awarded certificate number 448 for your 160 Meter WAZ award.
- 3) Please refer to this number in your future correspondence.
- 4) My records show that you have submitted QSL cards from:
40 Zones.
- 5) My records show that you need the following zones to complete your 160 Meter WAZ:
NONE.

This information will be forwarded to the New York offices of CQ magazine, where an artist will complete your certifi-

cate and mail it directly to you at the address listed above.

Please allow at least 150-180 days for receipt of the certificate.

Check the CQ Web page for the latest WAZ rules, results and info.

Thanks for your interest in the WAZ Program.

73,
Floyd Gerald, N5FG
WAZ Award Manager

Banquet Tickets

The NADXC Huntsville Hamfest DX Banquet will be held at the Best Western on Highway 20 at Wall-Triana at 6:30 pm on Hamfest Saturday. Bob Allphin, K4UEE will talk about the FT5ZM Amsterdam DXpedition.

Tickets may be purchased on line, and we may have details on just how this is done at Tuesday's meeting, but until then we'll keep you guessing. Those who have a hankering for a genuine paper ticket may get them at the meeting Tuesday from Tom Duncan, KG4CUY for \$38/person payable by check only to the NADXC.

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DX Contests for June

By Chuck Lewis, N4NM

GACW WWSA CW DX Contest, (CW), 80-10 meters

June 14, 1500Z to June 15, 1500Z

Exchange: RST, CQ zone

See page 77, June QST and www.wwsatest.org

Asia-Pacific Sprint, (SSB), 20-15 meters

June 14, 1100Z to June 14, 1300Z

Exchange: RS, Serial #

See page 77, June QST and www.jsfc.org/apsprint/aprule.txt

Portugal Day Contest, (SSB/CW), 80-10 meters

June 14, 1200Z to June 15, 1159Z

Exchange: RS(T) and Serial or district code

See page 77, June QST, and http://www.rep.pt/portugal_day_contest/rules.html

All Asian DX Contest (CW), 160-10M

June 21, 0000Z to June 22, 2400Z

Exchange: RST plus age; YLs send 00

See page 77, June QST and www.jarl.or.jp/English

Stew Perry Warm-up (CW), 160 meters

June 23, 1500Z to June 23, 1500Z

Exchange: 4-character grid square

See page 77, June QST and <http://www.kkn.net/stew/>

IARU HF World Championships (SSB/CW), 160-10M

July 12, 1200Z to July 13, 1200Z

Exchange: RS(T) plus ITU zone; IARU HQ stns send HQ abbrev.

See <http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship>

OTHERS:

QRP ARCI Shootout, SSB/CW,

1500Z June 14 – (see website), June 16

Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest,

1200Z, Jun 21 to 1200Z, Jun 22

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest

0100Z-0300Z, Jun 23

His Maj. King of Spain Contest, SSB,

1200Z, Jun 28 to 1200Z, Jun 28

Marconi Memorial HF Contest (CW),

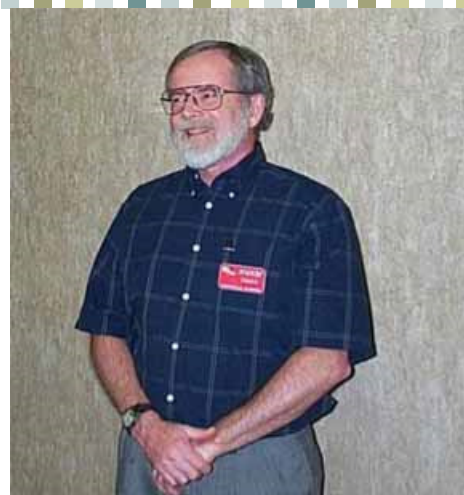
1400Z June 28 – 1400Z, June 30

DON'T FORGET: Alabama QSO Party,

1600Z June 7 – 0400Z, June 8

Dates & times often change or are misprinted in the journals; beware.

Chuck, N4NM



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